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The Honorable Leigh I. Saufley, Chief Justice Maine Supreme Judicial Court 205 Newbury Street, Room 139 Portland, ME 04101-4125

Dear Chief Justice Saufley:

Previously, by letter dated November 9, 2016, I formally notified you and the Supreme Judicial Court that the York County Courthouse Site Selection Commission selected property situated on Elm Street, Biddeford, as the site for the new courthouse in York County. With that selection, the Commission's work pursuant to 2016 Public Law, chapter 468, section 2, is concluded.

On behalf of the Commission, I am pleased to forward to you and the Court the Report of The York County Site Selection Commission, dated November 30, 2016, summarizing the work the Commission did. The Report includes an Appendix of various documents used or referenced by the Commission and copies of the minutes of the Commission's meetings.

The Report and its Appendices have been approved by 18 of the 19 Commissioners. One commissioner articulated certain objections in an email message to the full Commission. A copy of that email is included with this letter.

Finally, I would like to recognize my colleagues on the Commission for their dedication to this work and for the generous contribution of their valuable time and energy. As a group, the Commissioners represented a talented cross-section of diverse interests and disciplines, and I believe all were motivated by the cause of access to justice in York County, Maine. It is also

worth noting that all but three of the Commissioners are residents of York County.

Sincerely,

York County Courthouse Site Selection Commission By Its Chair,

Thomas Humphrey, Associate Justice Maine Supreme Judicial Court

cc. All Commissioners,
York County Courthouse Site Selection Commission

Enclosed:

- Report of York County Site Selection Commission
- Email from Commissioner Sinden, date of November 28, 2016